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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a .Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed by India and Canada recently to facilitate mutual exchange of information to promote clean development mechanism projects; and

(b) if so, the details of the agreement and further progress made thereon so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIARAJA)

(a) Yes, Sir

(b) The agreement intends to facilitate cooperation on climate change initiatives and pursue joint projects that reduce net greenhouse gas emissions, in accordance with Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol and the Marrakech Accords by encouraging market-oriented deployment of greenhouse gas mitigation technologies (including renovation & modernisation of old thermal power plants, energy efficient and renewable energy technologies and sustainable practices that promote the safeguarding and/or enhancement of sinks and carbon pools), and exchanging information on national programs.The agreement had been signed on 8 December 2005.